GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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. COMPENSATION ON ROAD AND RAIL FREIGHT
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has provided adequate compensation to the farmers for Rabi Crops during 2006-07 on the road and rail freight in Maharashtra; and

(b) if so, the details of compensation so far provided to the farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a) & (b) The freight is paid to the units manufacturing/importing fertilizers after the fertilizer reaches the districts, as per the provisions of New Pricing Scheme for urea and concession scheme for decontrolled P&K fertilizers announced by the Government. The freight is not given directly to the farmers. The subsidy is transferred to the farmers in the form of subsidized retail price as notified by the Government, at which the fertilizers are available to the farmers. The difference between the normative delivered cost of fertilizer at farmgate level and the notified selling price is paid to the manufacturers/importers as compensation once the fertilizer reaches the district. Hence, compensation to farmers on freight in any particular state does not arise.